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**TO:** Persons Interested in the HOME Program

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**SUBJECT:** Applications for FFY 2009 Competitive HOME Funds

<b>Applicant</b>	<b>HOME Funds Requested</b>	<b>Project Budget</b>
<b>Great Falls Housing Authority Sand Hills Apartments Phase 2, Great Falls</b>	<b>\$376,000</b>	<b>\$771,011</b>

Great Falls Housing Authority has acquired land in southeast Great Falls and will be constructing a four-plex apartment building consisting of four, 2-bedroom handicapped accessible units. Energy efficient appliances and materials will be used. This apartment building will be located close to the hospital, schools and shopping. The targeted residents will be 30% to 60% of median income. Rent subsidies will be available to those requiring low-income housing assistance through the Great Falls Housing Authority Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program.

<b>Garden City CHDO Dorothy Eck House, Bozeman</b>	<b>\$430,172</b>	<b>\$507,172</b>
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The Garden City CHDO proposes to purchase the Dorothy Eck House, a newly constructed 4-plex of 1-bedroom apartments from Western Montana Mental Health Center. The apartments will be affordable to those earning well below 30% of AMI who need mental health treatment in Bozeman and Gallatin County.

<b>Public Housing Authority of Butte Mountain View Apartments</b>	<b>\$473,422</b>	<b>\$2,012,267</b>
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The Public Housing Authority of Butte will construct Mountain View Apartments consisting of 1- and 2-story designs for two duplexes, one triplex, and one four-plex. A total of 11 affordable rental units will be targeted to households at or below 60% of area median income. Larger families will benefit from the unit mix of nine 2-bedrooms and two 3-bedroom units. The energy efficient units will be developed on four scattered, donated, vacant infill parcels in the vicinity of the Butte-Silver Bow Public Housing development in historic Uptown Butte.

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<b>Mountain Home Montana Transitional Living Apartment Housing, Missoula</b>	<b>\$500,000</b>	<b>\$2,041,933</b>
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Mountain Home Montana will construct a transitional living 5-unit apartment building and common area for low income single parent households. The new construction will include a 2-story building with connection to city utilities and services. It will have two 2-bedroom units and three 1-bedroom units.

<b>Lewis &amp; Clark County TBRA Rental Assistance</b>	<b>\$249,504</b>	<b>\$310,867</b>
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Lewis & Clark County and Rocky Mountain Development Council (RMDC) partnered in submitting the Home Access proposal to provide approximately 56 of the most vulnerable citizens a county-wide Tenant-based Rental Assistance Program (TBRA). RMDC will provide management to applicants for TBRA assistance for a maximum of 12 months and the assistance is intended to bridge households from substandard or no housing into safe, decent housing. Applicants who are victims of domestic violence, senior/disabled, or homeless will receive priority. The amount of rental assistance provided will be based on closing the gap between 30% of the household's income and Fair Market Rent Standard established by Helena Housing Authority.

<b>Rosebud County UCI Assisted Living Facility, Forsyth</b>	<b>\$500,000</b>	<b>\$1,688,000</b>
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Rosebud County and United Citizens, Inc. (UCI) have to develop and construct a non-profit assisted living program in Forsyth. UCI intends to renovate an empty public school facility into 14 apartments rather than constructing a new building, thus increasing affordability of the project. One half of the units will be HOME-assisted and dedicated to low and moderate income residents. The renovation will utilize energy efficient green building technology.